

# IN THE CITY

## **POLICE**

**3/12/09 - 3/18/09**

*Traffic Summons - 42*

*Calls for Service - 494*

*Incident Base Reports - 39*

*Reportable Criminal Arrest - 28*

*2009 YTD Calls for Service - 5,457*

Martinsville Police Department COP Unit Officer C.A. Gravely and Sgt. Farley along with Sgt. Muse of the National Guard Armory Drug Counter Task Force gave a crime prevention presentation on the Wheels of Life. This program emphasized the consequences of drugs and alcohol.

Students were divided into teams. Each team was asked questions related to drugs and alcohol. Team members worked together to give the correct answer. This program was presented to twenty-five fourth & fifth graders at Patrick Henry Elementary School Boys & Girls Club.

The Senior Police Academy was held at the Municipal Building this week. Cpt. Bart Hampton and Lt. Pam Gill, both of the Martinsville Sheriff's Office, gave an overview of the Martinsville City Jail. Participants were also led on a tour of the jail. Thirty citizens attended the program.

**--Amber Fulcher**

## **SENIOR CENTER**

Almost Country and the Plantation Band entertained sixty-two seniors at Rangeley Ruritan on March 10 and March 17. For the Children, Inc. and the American Red Cross performed health screenings for forty-five seniors on March 12 and March 18 at the Armory and the Senior Center.

Anyone interested in signing up for the candy making class to be held April 7, April 14 & April 21 at the Cake &

Dessert Pantry in Ridgeway may do so by calling the Senior Center at 403-5260.

A Senior Bowling Appreciation Day was held at the Druid Lanes Bowling Alley on Friday, March 20. All participants were awarded trophies for their participation throughout the past year.

Jeannie Frisco with Activate was on hand to talk about the importance of being active. Each participant was given an activity toolkit in exchange for a completed Activate survey.



**--Betsy Pace**

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

Staff are continuing to work with the city's solid waste consultant on a possible city landfill gas collection system. Leon Towarnicki, Jeff Joyce and Dennis Bowles visited the landfill in Amelia, Virginia to review their landfill gas collection system and methane-fueled electric generation plant.

Work is continuing with the contractor on final construction issues related to the garage addition. Expectations are to move into the new space within the next week or so.

Staff are continuing to work with Ameresco on the joint city/school energy audit project. Numerous interviews were conducted over several days for a part-time office position.

**--Leon Towarnicki**

